

# U. S. CONSUL CLIMBS 4,000 FEET TO AID THE ITALIAN TROOPS

## AMERICAN CONSUL AIDS ITALIAN ARMY ON MOUNTAIN TOP

Carroll Climbs 4,000 Feet to Deliver Supplies of the Red Cross.

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Tuesday, Jan. 8 (By Associated Press).—Snow was falling along the mountain front and an intermittent enemy artillery fire was in progress during a visit which B. Harvey Carroll Jr., American Consul at Venice, just paid to the Asiago Plateau on that front as a guest of the Italian General Staff.

It was a difficult and dangerous climb up the slippery mountain heights to the summit of a hill 4,000 feet high which Consul Carroll ascended. The enemy positions on Monte Meusale Di Gallo and Monte Badeneche were seen to be heavily covered with snow, which extended down to the Freneda Valley through which the Austrians are seeking to push their way to the plain. The Consul visited the Bersaglieri brigade which had borne the brunt of the mountain fighting, finding the men well conditioned and rationed, in fine spirits and confident that they would be able to hold any further attempts of the enemy to advance.

The American Red Cross has distributed mountain hoods among the Bersaglieri, who were warm in praise of the American action.

Nearly a foot of snow fell during Consul Carroll's visit and several officers predicted a three-foot fall, which they considered would bring the enemy to a complete halt. A weather report to the supreme command today shows a rise in temperature, with a minimum of thirty degrees Fahrenheit.

"Conditions have changed to the worst," continued the report, "with the Alpine plains had a clear atmosphere and rising temperature. The probabilities are that a cyclonic disturbance in the North Sea will accentuate the bad weather, with an increase of wind, rain and snow."

The City of Bassano, through which Consul Carroll passed, had been partially evacuated. Most of the stores and hotels were closed, but a remnant of the population was still about the streets. Fighting could be heard from the enemy positions seven miles distant, near Monte Grappa, where the enemy is now being held after the failure of his last effort to break through.

## JAPAN READY TO SEND TROOPS TO VLADIVOSTOK

All Arrangements Said to Have Been Completed to Protect Interests and War Material of the Allies.

TOKIO, Jan. 8.—The Japanese government today has completed all arrangements to send troops to Vladivostok on a moment's notice for protection of Allied interests and to guard Allied war material there.

Despatches say the Bolshevik control the Government offices, the banks and leading commercial houses.

Five hundred Japanese residents of the city have expressed the belief that it is necessary to send German war prisoners in the Amur district be carefully watched.

The American Minister today spent the morning in conference with John F. Stevens, head of the American Railway Mission to Russia. Three hundred American railway operators are remaining in Japan awaiting developments in Russia.

Duke of Devonshire Pays Respects To-Day to Wilson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The Duke of Devonshire, newly appointed Governor-General of Canada, is here to pay a call of courtesy to President Wilson. It has been the custom of the Governor-Generals of Canada to visit the United States shortly after installation at Ottawa under the French Government. They have volunteered in the Women's Hospital Unit for Foreign Service. Both have been prominent in the Flatbush Chapter of the Red Cross.

Two Women to Serve in France.

Miss Anna M. Wilbur and Miss Jane M. McKee, both of No. 648 Flatbush Avenue, Flatbush, expect soon to start for service in France under the French Government. They have volunteered in the Women's Hospital Unit for Foreign Service. Both have been prominent in the Flatbush Chapter of the Red Cross.

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## "HOBEY" BAKER TACKLES GERMAN IN AIRPLANE AND GETS FIRST DOWN



"Hobey" Baker, once a Princeton football captain, now a lieutenant in the American Flying Corps in France.

Believed to be the man who brought down his first German plane Saturday. In addition to being a victory for American arms, the event is taken as a personal reason for jubilation by the student aviators at the Princeton University ground training school.

While at Princeton, Lieut. Baker was not only a football star, but a crack hockey player as well. His athletic prowess is tradition at the University.

President Hibben of Princeton was fully as enthusiastic as the students when informed that Lieut. Baker had bagged his first German airman.

"I am delighted to hear it," he exclaimed. "All his friends here will be pleased. We have known for some time that he was in active service, and we have all been anxious to hear about him."

## PORTUGUESE SHIPS MUTINY; LISBON IS BOMBARDED

Army Remains Faithful to the Government of Dr. Paez, and Tranquility Is Restored.

MADRID, Jan. 8.—Another outbreak has occurred in Portugal, according to news reaching here from beyond the frontier.

Crews of Portuguese warships mutinied and began bombarding the Lisbon forts. It is stated.

The army, it appears, remained faithful to the Government of Dr. Paez, and tranquility has been restored. The rebellious crews were those on the battleship Vasco De Gama, the torpedo boat destroyer Douro and other war vessels. Their surrender is understood to have marked the conclusion of the disturbances.

State Legislature to Get Down to Business To-Night.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 8.—The Legislature will get down to business to-night when Speaker Sweet will announce the Assembly Committee assignments. Governor Whitman will send to the Legislature a message on the financial condition of the State and will also send to the Senate for confirmation. Various recess appointments, including those of F. J. H. Kracke and Charles B. Hubbell to be members of the Public Service Commission, First District.

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## DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN ARMY IS NEARER, SAYS HAIG

British Commander's Annual Report Has High Praise for American Troops.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—"The additional strength which the enemy can obtain from the events in Russia and Italy already has been largely discounted, and the ultimate destruction of the enemy's field forces has been brought appreciably nearer," is the summing up by Field Marshal Haig, the British Commander in Chief in France and Belgium, of last year's work by the British Army on the western front.

The statement is contained in an official report of Gen. Haig's spring and summer campaigns, which occupies twenty-six pages in the official gazette.

The report covers the period from the opening of the Arras offensive, April 9, to the conclusion of the Flanders offensive in November. Subsequent events of the year, including the Cambrai battle, will occupy a separate report, which is to be published shortly.

Gen. Haig closes his long report with a brief tribute to the Americans.

HAIG PRAISES ENERGY AND ABILITY OF AMERICANS.

"During the year," says he, "the United States has entered the war and taken up their part with all the well known energy and ability of that great Nation. Already many thousands of American soldiers are in France. Warm as is the welcome they received from the French people, nowhere will they find a more genuine or friendlier greeting than among the ranks of the other great English speaking armies."

At the outset of his report Haig explains how the general allied plan of campaign for the year was settled at a conference at French headquarters in November, 1916.

"The plan," the report says, "comprised a series of offensive actions on all fronts so timed as to assist each other by depriving the enemy of the power of weakening any of his fronts to reinforce another."

This plan had to be modified on a wholesale scale from the very start, owing to a variety of unexpected developments, such as the Russian situation, the requirements of the Allies and, particularly in later months, to adverse weather conditions.

Notwithstanding these difficulties the whole story of the year's work is a steady continuation of British success and German setbacks, which give Gen. Haig his ground for his optimistic conclusion.

"The Flanders offensive was maintained for three and a half months under most adverse conditions," says he. "The weather entailed almost superhuman exertions on the part of the troops of all arms. The enemy did his utmost to hold his ground, and in endeavoring to do so used up no less than seventy-eight divisions, of which eighteen were engaged a second or third time after being defeated."

MUD PROVED TO BE GERMAN'S MAIN DEFENSE.

"Time after time the practically beaten enemy was enabled to reorganize and relieve his men and bring up reinforcements behind the sea of mud which constituted his main defense. Notwithstanding the many difficulties, much was achieved."

"Our captures in Flanders since the end of the autumn to 24,000 prisoners, seventy-four guns and 94 machine guns. It is certain that the enemy's losses exceeded ours."

The most important of all is that our new and hastily trained armies again have shown that they are capable of meeting and beating the enemy's best troops under conditions which a mistaken view of the situation, though some of our leaders made a fine effort, not only failed to give the help expected, but even tried to prevent the enemy from transferring his forty fresh divisions from her front in exchange for tired ones used up in the West, or from replacing his losses on the West by drafts of fresh men from the East."

"The combined Franco-British offensive in the spring was launched before Italy was ready, and the splendid effort made by Italy, which unfortunately followed by developments which resulted in the weakening of the Allied forces in this theatre. In the circumstances the task of the British and French Armies has been far heavier throughout the year than originally was anticipated, and the enemy's means of meeting our attack was greater than he or we expected."

Under such circumstances we won the victories of Arras, Vimy and Messines, and the French those at Moronville, Verdun and Malmédy. The combined efforts of the British and French Armies have maintained a vigorous and continuous offensive throughout the period covered by this despatch. No other example of offensive action on so large a scale and so long and successfully sustained has been furnished by the war.

"In the operations at Arras, Messines, Lens and Ypres, 131 German divisions were engaged and defeated by less than half that number of British."

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## KAISER FOR FREE POLAND, HE TELLS DELEGATION

Says He Has Been Champion and Protector of Free Principles for Thirty Years.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 8.—Referring to himself as having been throughout his reign the champion of the Polish Regency Council which he received a day or two ago. In reply to the address presented by the delegates the Emperor said:

"It is a sincere joy to me to be able to greet you as the appointed representatives of the Polish State in my capital. I gather from your words, with lively satisfaction, that you see in the acts carried out by me as emperor and myself fulfillment of the long cherished desire of the Polish people for re-establishment of the independent Polish Kingdom, and that you believe you will be best serving your fatherland if in common with the German Empire and the Austro-Hungarian monarchy you pursue the aims which guarantee the well of humanity and peaceful co-operation of peoples."

"As against the columns of the enemy, I feel grateful for my unrelenting efforts in my reign of nearly thirty years to be the champion and protector of these principles which meet with deep sympathy on your part."

"May it be granted to you, gentlemen, in successful labor to give the Polish State foundations which will guarantee its further peaceful development as an element of order, progress and civilization. You may hereby be assured of the full support of myself and my government."

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Private Guy Lovell, measles and pneumonia; mother, Mrs. K. L. Lovell, Roman, Montana.

Private Herbert E. Barney, gunshot wound; mother, Mrs. Minnie Barney, 425 Somerset Avenue, Taunton, Mass.

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## TWO U. S. SAILORS HELD PRISONERS BY GERMANS

Albert De Mello and John F. Murphy Captured From Destroyer Jacob Jones.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—It is officially announced that two men from the destroyer Jacob Jones, submerged on Dec. 6, now are held prisoner in Germany.

Through the Red Cross the navy has learned that one is Albert De Mello, seaman, and the other John Francis Murphy, cook.

De Mello's address was No. 121 Hathaway Street, New Bedford, Mass. Murphy, whose name was given previously as "Marlowe," lived at No. 63 Hall Avenue, Warrenton, R. I.

GEN. PERSHING REPORTS WOUNDING OF ENGINEER

Also Gives Names of U. S. Soldiers Abroad Who Expired From Other Causes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Gen. Pershing today reported that Private Arthur J. Snedeker, Engineer, was seriously wounded in action on Dec. 31. No details of any engagement were given.

E. O. Snedeker, his father, lives at No. 295 South 4th Street, Columbia, Missouri. The following deaths from natural causes also were reported:

Private James L. Lumsden, pneumonia; sister, Mrs. J. F. Lumsden, North Dakota.

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## REICHSTAG RENEWS TALK ON TERMS OF PEACE FOR RUSSIA

Disabled Soldiers Invited to Pan-German Meeting, but Not Permitted to Speak.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 8.—The Main Committee of the Reichstag has resumed its war deliberations and the discussion of the peace terms offered to Russia which the Socialists insist must be withdrawn.

No news has reached here of the conference summoned by the Socialists, which the Vorwaerts calls the most important since the war, the results of which threaten to impair the majority in the Reichstag.

It is evident that the Pan-Germans generally are taking advantage of everything in the present position to increase their power and influence and are declared to be meeting with much success.

A number of disabled German soldiers were invited on Monday to attend a meeting of the Fatherland Party, founded recently in the interests of the Pan-Germans and other uncompromising elements. They grew restless under the flow of Chauvinist talk from the annexationists, says the Socialists organ Vorwaerts of Berlin. They were not permitted to speak, and a stormy scene followed.

One of the speakers referred to the disabled soldiers as deserters who had left Hindenburg's banner to betray their comrades. Some of the cripples, Vorwaerts says, "were belabored with sticks and abused by the heroic 'home warriors' of the Fatherland Party."

The police finally ordered the disabled soldiers to leave the hall. In concluding its account of the meeting the newspaper remarks:

"The home warriors of the Fatherland Party were left to themselves, and now know what the field grays think of them."

130 FRENCH VILLAGES BEHIND FRONT DESTROYED

Hindenburg Reported to Be Preparing a Stronger Line of Defense.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The Rome correspondent of the Matin says that by order of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, according to reliable information, which has reached him, 130 villages behind the western front, mostly in the region of St. Quentin, have been leveled to the ground so as to afford better opportunity for defense of the German lines to the rear.

Notwithstanding denials, the correspondent adds only one-third of the 300,000 Belgians deported to Germany have been permitted to return to their homes.

Referring to Alsace-Lorraine, the newspaper says the inhabitants of these districts are not foreign or alien peoples within the German state.

"If the natives of the German colonies are to be protected from exploitation by European capitalists, why not also those of the British colonies?" it asks. "It would be underestimating the good sense of the British workmen if one assumed that these traditions escaped their discernment."

This obviously incomplete synopsis, which bears the marks of having been censored carefully, is the first indication to reach the outside world of the attitude of the German Socialists toward Mr. Lloyd George's outburst against the Vorwaerts had been received, and apparently the editions containing comment on the Premier's statement have not been permitted to cross the border.

GOV. WHITMAN WOULD END PUBLIC LIFE AS ATTORNEY

Tells Court of Appeals Judges His Desire Is to Finish His Career Where It Began.

ALBANY, Jan. 8.—Judges of the Court of Appeals called at the Capitol today to pay their annual visit to the Executive.

In his reply to Chief Judge Hiscock's speech of greeting, the Governor said he wished to be known as a lawyer "first, last and all of the time." It was his desire, he said, that his public life might end in the office in which it began.

American Casualties in Canadian Forces Abroad.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 8.—The following names of Americans appear in tonight's casualty list: Died—J. Kelly, Dexter, Mass.; Wounded—E. J. Spencer, Detroit, Mich.; J. E. Stephens, Somerville, Mass.; W. B. Denton, New York City; W. H. Byrnes, Waterville, Cal.; N. H. Henderson, Randolph, Mass.; Gassed—C. E. Anderson, Brookville, Kan.

Parcels May Now Be Addressed Direct to Soldiers Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Parcels for American troops in France, not exceeding seven pounds in weight, may hereafter be addressed directly to the soldier, but they will no longer be received by the "Commanding General, Port of Embarkation," as previously has been the practice. This announcement was made today by the Post Office Department.

Second Camp for Training Officers in Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Secretary Baker today announced establishment of a second Officers' Training Camp in Porto Rico for 400 selected Porto Ricans. The camp will be open Feb. 1 and run three months.

## HEADS COAST GUARD WHICH NOW DEFENDS PORT OF NEW YORK

Capt. Godfrey L. Carden in his position as head of the Coast Guard here, practically has been made police officer of the Port of New York. He has supervision over all shipping except that under the direct control of the navy or army, and is a guardian, in a sense, of all merchantmen from the time they enter the harbor until they leave.

His headquarters are in the Barge Office, at the Battery, which has been placed under an armed guard of enlisted men in the Coast Guard and no one is permitted to enter the building unless first identified as an official business.

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